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Electric Mower Exchange Registration Now Open

Fairground Event to Feature Mowers Starting at \$99

Victorville – Online registration is now open for the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District’s 2013 Electric Lawn Mower Exchange Event, which provides High Desert residents with the opportunity to scrap their old, gas-powered lawn mower and purchase an emission-free, cordless electric model, starting at only \$99. Registrations are being accepted at www.TheGreenstationProducts.com/mdaqmd. Visually-impaired residents or those without Internet access may register by calling 1-866-646-4652.

Only pre-registered residents may bring their operable, gasoline mower – emptied of all fuel and oil – to the Victorville Fairgrounds on Saturday, April 27 and exchange it for one of two Greenstation lawn mower models: a 20” cutting width mower with a 24 volt battery for \$99 (regular price is \$429) or a 19” self-propelled mower with a 24 volt battery for \$159 (regular price: \$469). One lawn mower per household will be exchanged during the event, which runs between the hours of 8:00AM and 12:00PM. Unregistered mowers will not be accepted.

According to MDAQMD Executive Director Eldon Heaston, “Lawn mowers and other gasoline-powered lawn care equipment are the nation’s leading source of off-road emissions; one gas mower can pollute as much as 40 newer-model cars.” Heaston adds that although gas-powered mowers being sold today are 90% cleaner than those sold ten years ago, “Only electric mowers produce zero-emissions.”

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In 2012, the MDAQMD scrapped more than 150 mowers during the exchange. Because this year's supply is limited and expected to go quickly, residents are encouraged to register early. For more information on the Electric Lawn Mower Exchange Event, call the District at (760) 245-1661 ext. 1885 or visit the District's website at www.mdaqmd.ca.gov.

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